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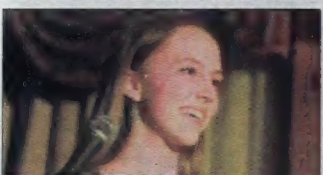
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Family comes to church's rescue

Friends of Twelve Mile
Lake Church offer to
purchase land

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

In 1890 William Chambers helped to build Twelve Mile Lake Church and now his descendents are rallying together to make sure the church keeps its proper place in the Highlands.

A new committee called Friends of Twelve Mile Lake Church has offered to buy the land the historic frame building sits on. It also proposes that Zion United Church in Carnarvon, which owns Twelve Mile Lake Church, sell the building itself to the Friends for \$1 – the same price for which Zion United was willing to sell the old church to the Stanhope Heritage Museum.

"I'm quite relieved," says Frank Chambers, the 88-year-old grandson of William Chambers. Frank and his brother Bill have been the caretakers of Twelve Mile Lake for decades. "When I was a young lad we had church there every other Sunday in the summer," Frank says. The church was built on a corner, "five chains by eight chains", of his grandfather's farm. "It is part of our heritage."

Frank's son and daughter-in-law, Robert and Heather Chambers, are co-chairs of the hastily-formed Friends of Twelve Mile Lake Church committee. The committee includes members of the extended Chambers family as well as descendents of other churchgoers.

In a letter to Zion United Church dated March 23, the Chambers write, "It is our objec-

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Alabama Reay, 10, is a natural at painting Easter eggs. With a steady hand she outlined her tiny masterpiece last Saturday at Club 35 during a girls afternoon with her mom and sister. For more Easter egg photos, see page 17.

Pet food recall creates worry

by JESSICA YOUNG
Times staff

Minden grocery stores are trying to manage the flood of in-store and phone inquiries from concerned pet owners after a pet food manufacturer, Menu Foods, issued a recall of many popular brands of wet dog and cat foods.

"We've been getting calls like

crazy," says Dollo's IGA grocery manager Jeff Babineau.

His store pulled the Compliments brand of pouched wet cat food off the shelves as well as Iams Bites' 3 oz. pouches of slices and flakes in cans for cats.

Lynda Easton, owner of Valu-Mart, has had a lot of concerned pet owners ask questions. After the recall was issued, she removed

President's Choice wet turkey and giblets, Iams chicken and gravy pouches cat food as well as Iams multi-pack chicken with gravy for dogs.

"We didn't receive that many calls. I would assume more people call the veterinarian's office because it's a health and safety issue for their pets. Some people

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No cases of death or illness reported to hospital

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would give me the product number of a brand they use and I'd let them know if it was recalled," said Easton.

Dr. Carol Sanio of the Minden Animal Hospital has also been responding to pet owners' concerns. They want to know which products they should stop feeding their animals.

"We've been getting a lot of phone calls. We've put up a list on the front door of products that have been recalled," said Sanio.

No cases of death or illnesses have been reported to the hospital, says Sanio. So far only two dogs were brought in for blood work.

Local animal food stores Pet Tyme and McMahon Feeds 'N Needs do not carry the recalled brands and subsequently the recall didn't affect them.

"It's precautionary to recall and it'll be costly on Menu Food's part," said a spokesperson for Pet Tyme.

The death of over 10 dogs and cats in America has prompted a Canadian class-action lawsuit that was

launched on behalf of pet owners in the Ontario Superior Court. The lawsuit states that the company failed to provide quality assurance procedures and proper food testing. Tests revealed that traces of aminopterin (an ingredient found in rat poison and cancer drugs) were discovered in the gravy-based pet food.

Animal owners got word of the rotten food when a March 16 press release from Menu Foods revealed that the Mississauga-based company received complaints of pet illness and death through the company's toll-free line in late February.

Nadia Vercillo of the Ontario Veterinary Medical Association says owners should be on the lookout for warning signs of potential sickness in their pets.

"People with sick pets notice an increase or decrease in wanting to drink water. Some dogs' and cats' eyes become glossy and they are non-respondent," says Vercillo.

If your animal is experiencing a loss of appetite, lethargy or any change in urination patterns, Vercillo and Sanio say take your furry family member straight to the veterinarian.



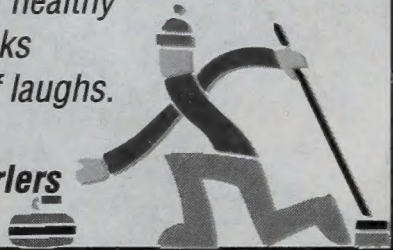
Maggie was alert and happy at the Minden Animal Hospital last Friday. The cheerful feline was worry free about the recent recall of cat food because the hospital doesn't carry any of the products in question.

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Young writers get inspired by two workshops

by PAULINE JOHNSON
Special to the Times

The Write Kids, an enthusiastic group of young writers at Archie Stouffer Elementary School, gathered in their library twice last week — on Wednesday for a presentation by Sharon Lawrence and on Friday for an all-day workshop given by Melody Richardson, a freelancer and former writer for *The Windsor Star*.

Having met the group, Richardson said, “I loved their energy. It’s something all writers share. We take an interest in everything. Some would say we’re naturally nosy but I prefer to think we’re looking for inspiration.”

News writers, often portrayed in movies as writing inspired copy from dark, dingy cubbyholes, would be envious of the space designated for a publishing centre for these young people. A brightly illuminated loft, above the spacious and airy two-storey library with floor to ceiling windows and a see-through partition to the floor below, leaves one marveling at how times are changing. This was the idea of vice-principal, Peter Ferri, new to Archie Stouffer this year.

“Archie Stouffer School is a role model in the way it values the arts. Training in the arts develops communication skills, fosters creative problem-solving, increases self-esteem, encourages leadership and defines our culture. I applaud the staff for recognizing this. There’s no reason learning can’t be fun!” said Richardson.

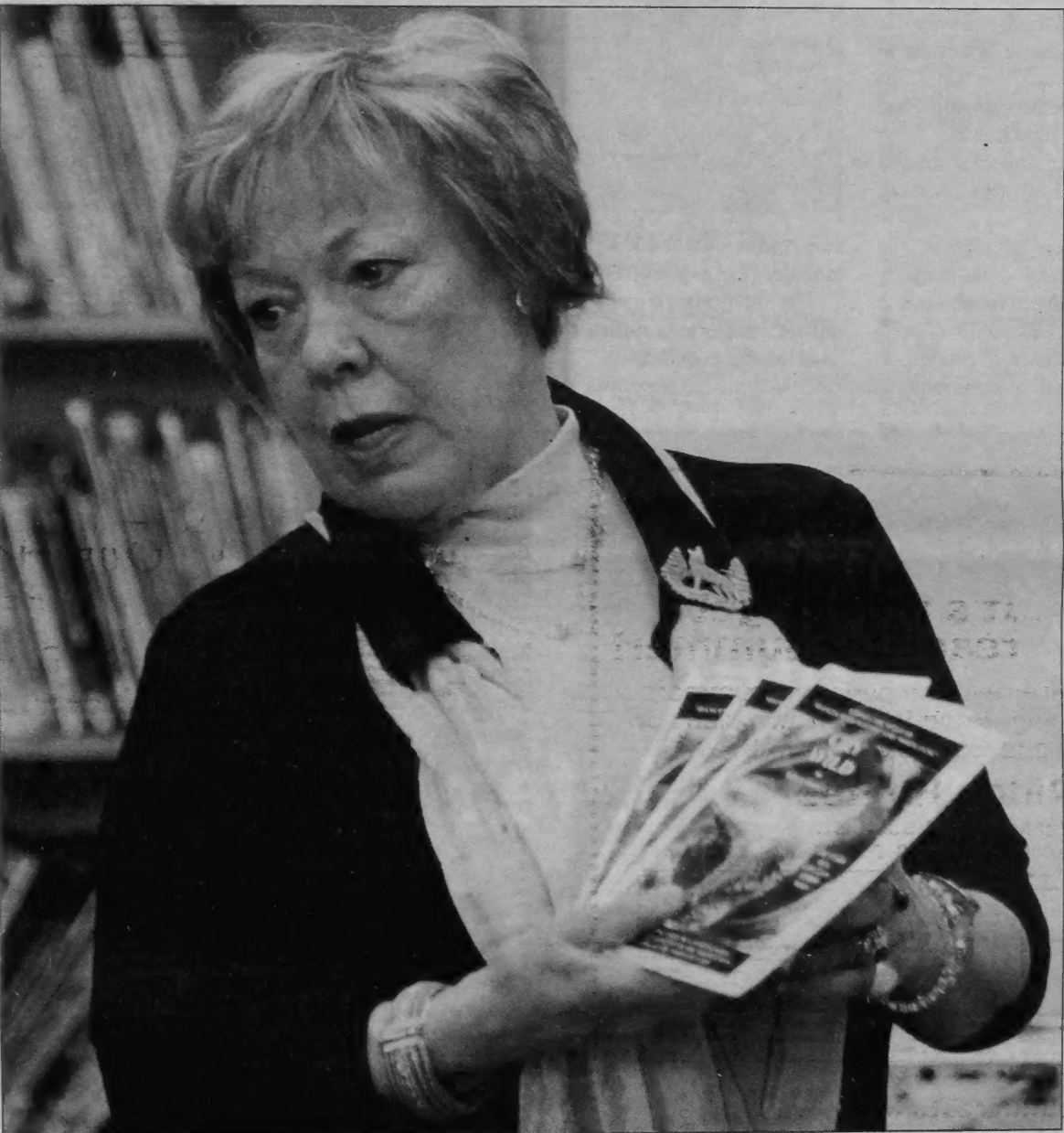
The writer-in-residence program, funded by the Minden Hills Cultural Centre Foundation, arranged for the speakers and gifted the school with several copies of the book *In Print: 40 Publishing Projects for Kids*. It shows students how to get their work published, how to write query letters, send out manuscripts, know their rights, deal with rejection letters and, most importantly, how to consider themselves writers.

One eager participant was heard to say as she left, “This was great. We got out of class and didn’t have to do any work today.” She had completed the exercises on 12 pages of handouts: how to proofread with professional precision; identify specific journalistic terms of the trade; distinguish between a news story, a feature story; an editorial; a profile and a human interest piece. Lessons on page layout and design, following the rule of thirds, was followed by cover design and the mock-up of a book to display one’s personal collection of writing.

Sharon Lawrence prepped the students on Wednesday for the all day workshop by introducing them to the work of R.D. Lawrence, talking about his travels across Canada and his work with animals. She was encourag-



Students from Archie Stouffer Elementary School are thrilled at their new writing space in the loft of their library. The brightly lit area will be ideal for young minds to explore the love of writing.



Sharon Lawrence spent last Wednesday inspiring ASES children to participate in the R.D. Lawrence Commemorative Anthology. Submissions will be published just in time for the opening of the R.D. Lawrence Place scheduled for the end of summer.

ing students to submit their work for the R.D. Lawrence Commemorative Anthology which will be published for the opening of R.D. Lawrence Place this year.

Explaining that Ron Lawrence was a field biologist interested in mammals and conservation of the forest environment, she garnered student agreement that it was important to all of us in order to live in a healthy way. She held students’ attention with interesting stories of the animals Ron helped over the years, animals such as the brutalized and snarling wolf-dog, Yukon, whose trust Ron earned. They became inseparable friends travelling through the mountains in British Columbia, each bearing back packs to carry their supplies. These adventures were detailed

in the book *The North Runner*, one of R.D.’s most popular books. Sharon once confided that producers had been going to make a movie of this book and were considering Sean Connery to play the part of R.D. Lawrence.

Paddy, the little beaver kit that Lawrence raised back in the forests near Bancroft, was another endearing story. He had found the dead mother beaver and in a frantic canoe race across the pond, saved the new born kit from a swooping eagle intent on grabbing its dinner.

“In 1984,” she related, “we moved back from the Yukon to Haliburton to 100 acres surrounded by Crown land. R.D. needed a place to write that was quiet so he could establish a routine.” Shortly after, he became involved in the problem of the aerial shooting of

wolves in B.C. and the Yukon. A miner friend gave them two wolf pups to raise. The mother had been shot. Then someone from Balsam Lake, near Cobocok, asked them to take a baby raccoon. Soon their retreat developed into a full-fledged rehabilitation centre. A fox, who had broken his leg, was the next boarder. Over the years they raised and nursed hundreds of raccoons, in addition to a cougar. It had been declawed and kept as a pet by its owner. He had taught it how to wrestle so it often jumped on people and nipped at them. Living beside a school, the public became upset. Ron had written *The Ghost Walker* about his experiences in B.C. with a puma so they asked him to take the cat. Yet another enclosure was built for feisty Tica.

The Lawrences also had porcupines. Sharon said, “I just love porcupines. They are the cutest little things. The one we had loved pablum and stawberries and would always come when we put that out.”

Next they got a wolf from Michigan called Numa. He had lost a part of his leg above the wrist, probably when caught in a trap. The skin would not heal over the end of the wound so the vet in Haliburton, Laurie Brown, amputated the leg at the shoulder so he just had one front leg. He was very smart and once jumped out over a 10 foot high fence.

The animals gave Ron lots of stories. He went on to write another book about cougars. He wrote about what he knew. Sharon advised the students also to write about what they knew and understood, whether it was about their animals, family or grandparents. She pointed out that Ron always kept lots and lots of notes. If he had an idea, he always wrote it down. He used to write poems too as well as stories. People who love to work with words express themselves in many ways.

Sharon also talked about the sustainable building for R.D. Lawrence Place and how it will fit in with Ron’s beliefs. Many of the students had visited the Wolf Centre at Haliburton Forest which R.D. had also helped to set up.

The wars that R.D. had been involved in, the Spanish Civil War and World War II, were not something that Ron talked about a lot; however, there were many skills he learned while enlisted that served him in good stead on his forays into the Canadian wilds. One such skill was his ability to navigate by the stars, something he had learned while serving in the tank corps in Africa.

Young students were important to Lawrence. He always answered their letters and teachers from across Canada had students write to him about his books or their questions. Diane Dron, of Stanhope, was one of these teachers. Lawrence went into the school to talk to her students. “The problem was that the whole school would want to listen and participate, whereas Ron preferred to work with small groups so that he could be less formal and address a variety of interests,” Sharon mentioned. Some of the students were then taken to the Wolf Centre at Haliburton Forest as a special treat.

“It’s encouraging when there is a school so close to the cultural centre. Doing presentations to the students now about who R.D. Lawrence was and what his work involved, will ensure a good start to next year when R.D. Lawrence Place will be in operation as an interactive learning facility and a writers’ centre,” said Sharon.

This group of The Write Kids, junior and intermediate students at Archie Stouffer Elementary School, has the opportunity to set something up with their new publishing room and lead the way for future writers in the school. Many of them are already leaders of the pack.

Walling won't seek Liberal nomination

by JOHN CHAMBERS
Special to the Times

Greg Walling, the local Liberal candidate in last year's federal election announced late Wednesday he won't be seeking his party's nomination in the event the Conservative government forces an election this spring.

Reached at his home Wednesday night, Walling told The Daily Press the decision not to run wasn't easy. "It was pretty difficult," Walling said. "We know we did very well in a very difficult election and we had built a very credible team. We were actually looking forward to doing it again."

Appointed President and CEO of FisherCast Global eight months ago, Walling says his focus right now is on building the Peterborough-based company, stressing the importance of the company as a major employer in the region.

"FisherCast plays an important role in the area's economy and employs over 350 individuals. I want to continue to build this company into a world class leader in its field," Walling said.

With speculation there could be a federal election later this year, Walling said he felt it was important to make his intentions clear now rather than waiting.

"I think it is only fair - I think there are other people out there that will run if I'm not running - so I think it is only fair to the Liberal party and to other potential people who want to run to step aside and let them come forward," he said. "I'm disappointed, we put a lot of effort into the campaign last time, but it's just not the right time for me right now."

Walling is chair of the area's doctor recruitment team that brought six new doctors to the City of Kawartha Lakes in 2006.

While the active Lindsay resident says he enjoyed the experience of running in last year's election he plans to continue his involvement in the community in other ways.

"I have a great respect for those who seek public office," he said. "I thoroughly enjoyed the experience of running in last year's election. There are many ways to contribute to



Greg Walling made the difficult decision to not seek his party's nomination in the event of a spring election. "I think it is only fair to the Liberal party and to other potential people who want to run to step aside and let them come forward," Walling said.

our community and I will continue to lend my support to a number of organizations I am involved with."

With a strong campaign team around him, Walling said his decision was a difficult one but at this point in time it was the right decision.

"Elections are supposed to be every four years, not every

year and it is an awful lot to ask for volunteers to step forward every year and it is a tremendous effort that you need," he said. "So that certainly played a role in it, even though everybody wanted to go and there was a lot of disappointment today."

Despite the days disappointment around the Walling camp, the Lindsay resident said he has been bit by the political bug, noting politics hasn't seen the last of him.

"I have the political bug, but I have a commitment to 350 people with a major employer and it's going very well, but it's not done yet," he said.

"It is certainly my intention to run again for public office, just not at this time."

The Haliburton-Victoria-Brock-Federal Liberal Association is expected to hold its nomination meeting sometime in the next month.

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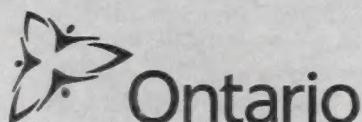
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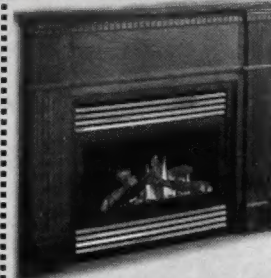
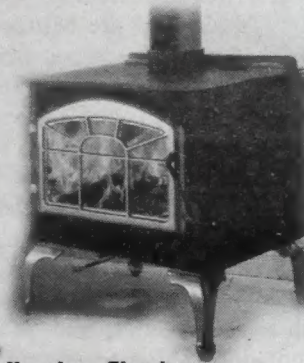


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tive to preserve the history and heritage of the building in its present location and, in doing so, to acknowledge its contribution to the Carnarvon and Twelve Mile Lake communities of the pioneer families resting in the cemetery."

The Friends will be a not-for-profit organization dedicated to raising funds to purchase and maintain the property.

Jim Hicks, a member of Zion United's property committee, says the church welcomes the Friends' suggestions. However, because the church has few financial resources at its disposal – the very reason why it wanted to sell the Twelve Mile Church property after the church building was moved to the museum – Zion is hesitant about selling the small portion of land that the church sits on as the Friends suggest.

"It would be much simpler if [the Friends] would buy the whole church property and sell part of it to Minden Hills [to expand the cemetery] or Minden Hills buys it and sells a portion to the church," Hicks said Monday.

Meanwhile, Zion is getting the Twelve Mile Church land appraised "so we know where we stand."

In their first letter to Zion United Church, the Chambers say they recognize and appreciate the dire straits that the Carnarvon church is facing. But they also outline the history of the Twelve Mile Lake Church and why it should remain where it is.

"Twelve Mile Lake Church has sat on the slight rise of land overlooking the sandy beach and quiet waters of Twelve Mile Lake for 117 years. This small white clapboard church, beautiful in its simplicity and location nestled under tall pines, alongside both old and new monu-



The Friends want to promote Twelve Mile Lake Church as a site for small weddings and family gatherings.

ments marking the final resting place of people fortunate enough to have strong ties to the Twelve Mile Lake community, was build as a Presbyterian church in 1890 and became part of the United Church of Canada with the union of Presbyterian and Methodist congregations in 1925. The church replaced the original log pioneer church that was located on the same site and was demolished to make room for the existing building. This small church structure is a community landmark and cherished heritage site and its quiet presence is a sustaining testimony to the faith journey of its charter members and long line of forbearers."

The Friends want to preserve this past but also make the church more of a presence in the present. They want to promote the church as a site for small wedding or family gatherings – there is one wedding there this June – and offer the church as a venue for local groups. It could be, for instance, the site of summer yoga classes or an

artisans' fair.

Knowing that the cemetery next to the church is running out of space, the Friends would work with Minden Hills, which owns the cemetery, to expand the cemetery property so that everyone's needs are addressed.

Carol Moffatt, the founder and director of Stanhope Heritage Museum, had welcomed the addition of the church to the museum grounds as a way of ensuring the building was preserved. Now that it appears a solution has been found to keep the church where it is, and ensure it won't deteriorate, she's equally happy the church's historical value is being heralded by the community. "It's a win for everyone," she says.

Frank Chambers agrees. If Zion agrees to sell the Twelve Mile Lake Church to the Friends for \$1 and the Friends, in turn, come up with a suitable purchase price for the land, his grandfather can truly rest in peace.

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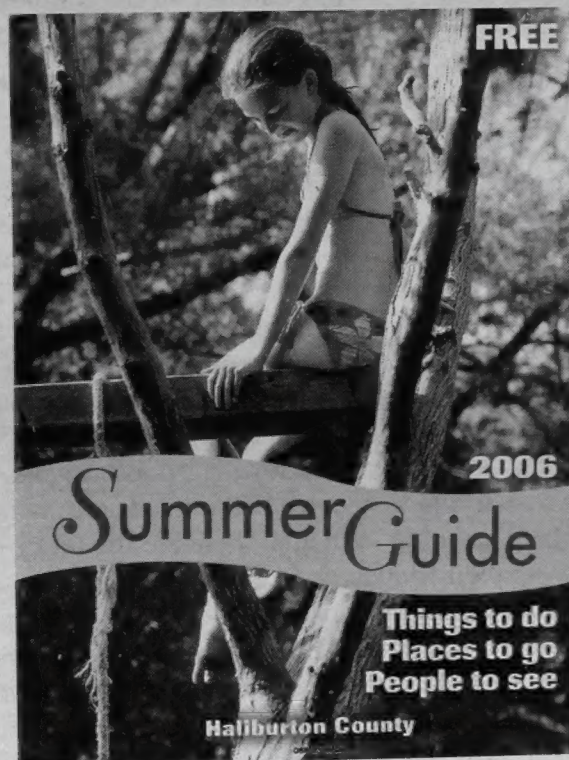
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EDITORIAL COMMENT

Giving creativity its space

WRITING IS A very lonely pursuit. You can't call up a friend and say, "Hey, it's a beautiful spring day – let's go outside and write." There are no teammates cheering you on when you make a really nice turn of phrase. Writing is something you tend to have to do in a quiet room, all by yourself. It's you, your keyboard and a blank computer screen.

But writers shouldn't have to live in an isolated world. There are times when they need to break free and benefit from the support of others. In the past few years, various writers' circles have sprung up around the county. Once a month writers get together and read their work out loud, or talk about the difficulty they had with a certain passage. They seek out the encouragement and ideas of fellow writers while getting their fix of companionship.

Sometimes writers also need support in a much more obvious way. They need the physical resources with which to write – the computer, the quiet work space, access to books and the Internet when they need to research something. There's the famous story of J.K. Rowling, the single mother who was on welfare. She had an idea for a book but no secluded place where she could write. And so she took her manuscript to a coffee shop. It wasn't exactly the quietest place to write but it was free of the constant demands of being a mother. Today, as the creator of the wildly successful Harry Potter series, Rowling can buy all the solitude she'd ever want.

Bravo to the community teamwork that went into creating a quiet place for young people to write. Climb up the stairs inside the library at Archie Stouffer Elementary School and you'll discover a writer's perfect hidey-hole. It's brightly lit, welcoming and stocked with all the things a young writer would need. A partnership between the school and various community groups, particularly the writer-in-residence program at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre, the writing room is indeed an idea that deserves to be emulated in schools around the country.

Meanwhile, all this week at the Northern Lights Pavilion in Haliburton, young musicians who are accustomed to spending hours of practising in the privacy of their otherwise silent homes are getting their chance to be in the limelight. The Haliburton Highlands Music Festival was created to applaud the dedication of our young music lovers. They too spend hours on their own trying to become better musicians, with no one but their family members listening (although there are the lucky ones that get to play in a band with their friends.)

The music festival, which is non-competitive, lets them take to the stage and show the community how much they've accomplished over the year. Better yet, thanks to donations from adults who appreciate how hard it is to be a musician, as well as the proceeds from a festival highlights concert, the festival provides scholarships to dozens of young people. This money goes towards paying for the lessons that will help them make the most of their musical talent. It's a testament to this county's support of the arts that many of these young people have gone on to study music at university. The festival helped to give their love of music an extra measure of validity.

Minden may be far from the concert halls and the gala book awards ceremonies but if you're a creative young person, it's a pretty good place to be right now.

Martha Perkins

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Easter egg painting

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OTTAWA REPORT

MP Barry Devolin

Budget gets a thumbs up from MP

Last week, Conservative Finance Minister Jim Flaherty delivered a balanced budget that cuts taxes for working families and seniors, invests in priorities such as the environment and manufacturing, and restores fiscal balance with the provinces.

Although there are many things in the budget I could go address in depth, I only space to touch on a few areas that will have a big impact on our riding.

Seniors will benefit in several important ways. One change is that pension income

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IN OTHER WORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

Seeing red

Someone once told me that when they begin reading my newspaper column the first thing they ask themselves is "what silly thing is this guy going to write about today?"

That's pretty well the first thing I ask myself too.

Admittedly, there are a lot of times when I get a little off the beaten path. But I'd like to think that this column also carries with it the power for positive social change and the ability to address the central issues of our time. I'd like to think that my readers understand that I rarely shy away from the hard questions – the ones that other columnists are too smart to ask.

Having said that, let me now provide a final warning before I delve into a topic rarely discussed in public. The contents that follow will be graphic and not suited for children. The opinions expressed are my own. Furthermore, I am well aware that this is a highly divisive issue in modern society and I am fully prepared for

letters to the editor for, and against, my stance. But I think it is time that we stopped ignoring the subject. It's not going away.

So without further ado, here is an expose about an epidemic that is rampant in rural areas – pickled beets. So if you don't have the stomach for it, stop reading now. Otherwise, let's begin.

The blood red liquid was splattered all over the front of my white shirt when my wife walked into the kitchen. I turned to her, with fork in hand and lips like a clown, knowing that this time, I couldn't deny it any longer. I had a problem.

"Dear God," she cried out. "You ate the whole jar of pickled beets!"

As difficult as it is to talk about, this sort of scene is replayed throughout hundreds of homes in rural areas every single

weekend. Red shirts won't hide it.

Like many, I got my first taste for pickled beets at a party when I was 14. One of the older kids called a few of us to the bike rack. There, he pulled out a jar of home-made pickled beets – homegrown and potent.

"Try this," he said. "I stole it from my ma's cabinet."

I've been fighting the red demon ever since. Sometimes, I can go for days without it. As I write this, it's been three weeks.

For me, pickle trays are the hardest. I'll be at a social gathering when someone will bring one by and offer me a beet.

My pulse will race, my hands will get a little shaky, and I'll sweat profusely. Sometimes, I'll even salivate. I think this is why no one invites me to parties anymore.



BEYOND35

Steve Galea

When Neil's away, his dog will play

Real Bitch. The words jump right out at me, almost knock me off the chair on which I balance precariously to write this column.

It is not a difficult thing to imagine, me being knocked off the chair at my master's desk. (Neil Campbell isn't really my master because I'm actually in charge, but I let him think he is the alpha male in our pack.)

But, oh, that chair. Imagine a collie of the smooth persuasion in a perfect sit on one of those office chairs with casters.

Imagine me, head held high and proud, tail draped rakishly, trying to remain calm while the chair rolls out from under me every time I toe the keyboard.

I am constantly on the verge of falling overboard and when I find those words on the internet dating service for dogs, I land with a crash.

I'm not supposed to be logged onto the dating service. I am supposed to be writing this column. Well, supposed is a word that needs some explaining.

Last year I wrote that I had been "commissioned" to write the column in my master's place, but that's a pretty highfalutin verb, even for a collie.

It was more dragooned than commissioned and the assignment has nothing to

do with the fact that the collie national holiday is only a few days away, Sunday to be exact.

What it has to do with is my master being so busy with his stupid maple syrup that he forgets everything else in his life and then I have to bail him out.

Yesterday morning the phone rings and the editor, Martha Perkins, who could teach dogs how to snarl, is on the line. (If you find the idea of a dog on a computer keyboard odd, picture me on a cell phone.)

Martha is the only human being who knows I can speak. It's our little secret. If Neil finds out, he'll be wanting to talk to me all the time and his conversations can be pretty boring.

Back to the telephone call. "Where's that column?" Martha growls, and I have to pretend that I agreed to pinch-hit again and then forgot, and so it is all my fault.

"You idiot," she says approximately, and here, for the sake of brevity, I leave out some of her more colourful adjectives.

Martha can be pretty persuasive when she gets rolling and so, once I stop trembling, I get myself set up on that dangerous chair in front of a fired-up laptop computer.

Now you might think it odd to give a writing assignment to somebody who can't tell a metaphor from a simile or the difference between principal and principle, but they let Neil write anyhow.

As for me, my muse seems to be missing in action, if you call writing once a year action. I have writer's block. I have nothing to write about, although that never stopped Neil.

And so instead of writing I start surfing the Internet and that's when I discover the dating service for dogs and the ad that starts with the words that begin this column.

I have been hanging around humans for so long that at first I am offended. Human males attach those words to their uppity females and they do not speak them kindly.



BACK OF BEYOND

Jiggs

write about, although that never stopped Neil.

And so instead of writing I start surfing the Internet and that's when I discover the dating service for dogs and the ad that starts with the words that begin this column.

A lot of people, meaning my wife, have asked why I have the sudden urge to publicize my lifelong battle with the red jar. Well, I think it's because no one else has.

As a society, we have somehow downplayed the havoc it causes in laundry mats; we've looked the other way at whenever we've seen red signatures in a snow bank. It's as if we think the problem will somehow go away in spring.

Well, it won't. Not unless we talk about it.

Look to the left of you. Now look to the right. See how easily you're led. Well, it's the same way with pickled beet users.

I think we all have to face our demons. That's why, every day, I make a point of going down to the root cellar where my wife keeps all her preserves. There in the dim light of a 40-watt bulb, I walk up to a certain gallon jar of pickled beets and I stare at it, long and hard.

Suddenly, I'll break the silence and whisper, "You will not beet me today."

And then I leave – with dill pickles.

But then I remember that I am a dog, and for dogs, they describe a condition so rare that those who possess it form the aristocracy of the species. What the ad says is this:

Real Bitch. Unmodified female Rhodesian Ridgeback seeks male Coonhound with original equipment for long walks under the next full moon, if you get my drift.

Somewhere between original equipment and full moon, I get her drift and it makes me a little wistful. I decide to look only for ads that include the word platonic, because I am not the dog I used to be.

I have never complained, because I have always assumed that what happened to me four years ago must have been the result of some clerical error. Neil would have stopped it right away if he had only known and so would the kind people at the animal hospital.

Humans say a dog won't miss romance if he has never known it but how could they know that? I have seen the light in a real male's eye and I know I must be missing something. I am in quite a fix.

But you don't want to hear about my troubles. Besides, I have to think of something to write about.

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Pensioners and the environment will benefit from new budget

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can now be split between spouses to reduce income taxes. This change – long advocated by the Canadian Association for Retired Persons (CARP) – will save pensioners hundreds or thousands of dollars each year.

Pensioners will also benefit from the decision to increase the age limit from 69 to 71 for converting Registered Retirement Savings Plans (RRSPs) into income.

The environment is another priority. Nationally, \$1.5 billion has been commit-

ted to the ecoTrust to assist provinces with green projects. Locally, \$12 million has Lake Simcoe over the next two years.

Budget 2007 was also about helping families and children. Families will benefit from more than \$5 billion in new personal tax cuts over the next three years, including an end to the marriage penalty, the introduction of a \$2,000 child tax credit and a new tax benefit for low-income Canadians.

Municipalities are also big winners because they will now be refunded 100 per cent of the GST they pay – up from 57

per cent before. This means that on a single large purchase, such as a \$200,000 road grader, the savings will exceed \$5,000. Even for smaller municipalities, annual savings will be in the tens of thousands of dollars.

Municipalities also asked for a longer term funding commitment for infrastructure. This request was answered with an extension of Federal Gas Tax Fund transfers already flowing. For example, Kawartha Lakes will receive \$1.7 million this year, \$2.2 million next year and \$4.5 million for each of the following five

years.

Manufacturers can also benefit by taking advantage of a one-time program that will let them write off 100 per cent of capital investments in machinery and equipment acquired before 2009.

In closing, I want to thank all of you who passed your suggestions and ideas to me during the pre-budget consultation period. I passed them along to Minister Flaherty, and was delighted to see many of them appear in Budget 2007.

Barry Devolin

Knitting for Warmth finishes its 700th blanket

Using 22,236 knitting squares, volunteer group will donate blankets to those that need them

by JESSICA YOUNG
Times staff

A local volunteer group is welcoming spring after an especially successful run this winter. Knitting For Warmth, which is part of the Highland Hills Outreach program, just finished their 700th blanket using a total of 22,236 knitting squares to complete the project. These blankets were donated to local residents in need to help keep them warm during the cold winter days.

The hundreds of blankets made by volunteers go to various Haliburton agencies such as the Minden Food Bank, Children's Aid and SIRCH. Blankets are used for warmth in all types of scenarios, given to those without heat in their

homes and to hospital patients in need of some comfort post-surgery.

Reaching out to those less fortunate is on the minds of volunteers as many of them gather every Tuesday afternoon at the Minden United Church to make their creative creations. Knitters gather to share in a fun pastime while ultimately contributing to a worthy cause.

"There's a sense of accomplishment when you knit," says volunteer Ann Cundall.

Mary Trepanier, founder of the group, says volunteers range from first-time knitters to those who are experts with a thread and needle.

"Perfect knitting is not necessary. That's why it's called Knitting For Warmth, not beauty," says Trepanier.

Lining the shelves in the basement of the Minden United Church are stacks of donated wool from all over the county. Volunteers knit or crochet 8" x 8" squares, which are then collected and made into blankets.

One of reasons the group asks for squares instead of whole blankets is because it's portable, easy, and not an

overwhelming project for volunteers. Those who love to help create warm covers can do so at home, in hospitals, in the car, or join in on the weekly fun at the church.

"Sometimes I get bags and boxes of squares on my front porch in the spring, they come from everywhere," says Trepanier.

Over 100 knitters have taken part in the project and Trepanier uses every opportunity to help spread the word about her project.

"Even in the doctor's office, strangers will say, 'What are you knitting?' And the conversation starts and you end up with another knitter."

There are three ways to help keep people warm. Volunteers can knit or crochet, sew or donate yarn. Often times much of the group's yarn comes from old and unused wool that has been sitting in someone's basement, says Trepanier.

Although springtime doesn't seem like a time when people need blankets, Trepanier says the knitting never stops. Blankets are needed all year round.

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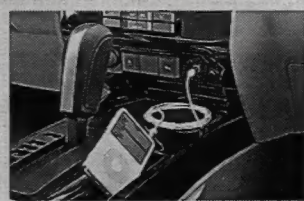
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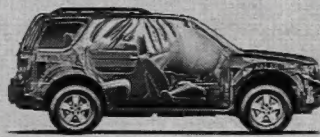
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Cottagers help out back home

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"Cottagers hear about us and they go back to Toronto to knit and they tell their friends."

Since its inception, Knitting for Warmth has donated their blankets to the Ronald McDonald House, the Ontario Home Care Association, Hyland Crest, Extendicare, Child Haven (for Tsunami victims) and A Place called Home (located in Lindsay).

For more information on becoming a volunteer, contact Mary Trepanier at 286-5173.



L-R: Knitting for Warmth volunteer members Ann Cundall, Lillian Mann, Mary Trepanier and Pat Thornett knit blankets together every Tuesday at the Minden United Church, helping those in need keep warm.

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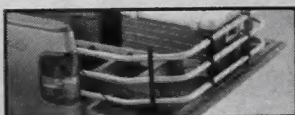
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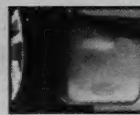
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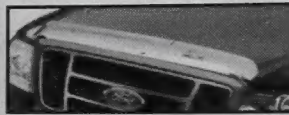
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County raises \$6M for local health services

by MARTHA PERKINS
Times staff

When Haliburton accountant Hugh Nichol crunched all the numbers and came up with the final fundraising figure of \$6-million, some skeptics told him that the people of Haliburton County could never raise that much money, no matter how good the cause.

But as chairman of Haliburton Highlands Health Services, Nichol not only believed in the community, he also believed in the project — upgrading Hyland Crest and adding a new emergency department in Minden as well as upgrading the Haliburton Hospital to accommodate 13 acute care beds and adding a 30-bed long-term care unit.

The entire project would cost \$19.8 million and the province had to be convinced that the county could commit to its share: \$6 million. It was the largest fundraising campaign anyone in the Highlands had ever even dared to contemplate.

But Nichol and fellow HHHS members held firm.

"We couldn't afford not to do it," he says. Without modern healthcare facilities, Haliburton County would not be able to thrive and prosper. Not only would people not want to move here but our older residents would have to move elsewhere because of the lack of adequate facilities.

Yesterday, Nichol presented the HHHS Foundation with a cheque for \$100 to ceremonially mark the end of the long but ultimately successful capital campaign. The cheque was in honour of all the HHHS board members who didn't live long enough to see the \$6 million debt finally paid off.

Nichol had predicted the money could be raised in 10 years. He was bang on. Approval for the projects was granted in 1997, with construction starting the next September.

"Six million dollars is a lot of dough for our little towns but it never crossed my mind we'd never get it," says Don Popple who, along with Ray Selbie, is one of two original Foundation members still on the board today.

Selbie says the Foundation, which Nichol established as one of his four goals as HHHS chair, knew it couldn't count on many large donations to pull it off. "We knew it would be on the backs of ordinary people."

But it wasn't just the size of community's share of the costs that provided a daunting challenge. A decade earlier a campaign to raise money for an 18-bed long-term care unit in Haliburton had come to a controversial end when the province rescinded its approval. People were angry and cynical. After putting their hearts into the previous campaign, how could they be sure that this one would lead anywhere?

That was one of the reasons HHHS decided to borrow the community's share up front. By not having to wait for the fundraising campaign to reach its goal, construction could start immediately. And once people saw the additions going up, their faith in the future of healthcare in Haliburton County would be restored. They'd match their faith with their donations.

"No one was going to give any money until they saw the backhoes," Nichol says.

Having construction begin right away also buried any chances that the province would renege on the project again, although that didn't seem likely this time around. The HHHS had a strong ally at Queen's Park: MPP Chris Hodgson.

Hodgson had grown up in Haliburton and knew the history of the project well; in fact, he'd been chairman of the steering committee that was the precursor of the HHHS. Hodgson also knew how healthcare threatened to pit Haliburton and Minden against one another. Minden feared losing its hospital, an old frame building that nonetheless served as a vital emergency facility along the busy Hwy. 35 corridor. It was important to Hodgson that any solution took in Minden's needs as well as Haliburton's, even though few other counties would ever dream of having two healthcare facilities only 24 kilometres apart.

It helped, of course, that Hodgson was not only the area's MPP. At the time he was also Chairman of the Management Board of Cabinet and, as such, had a great deal of influence when it came to deciding how the province's money would be spent.

"If we didn't have the government [on side] we weren't going anywhere," says Don Popple, who believes that "If we didn't get [provincial backing] when we did, we wouldn't have got anything. We wouldn't be sitting in these buildings today."

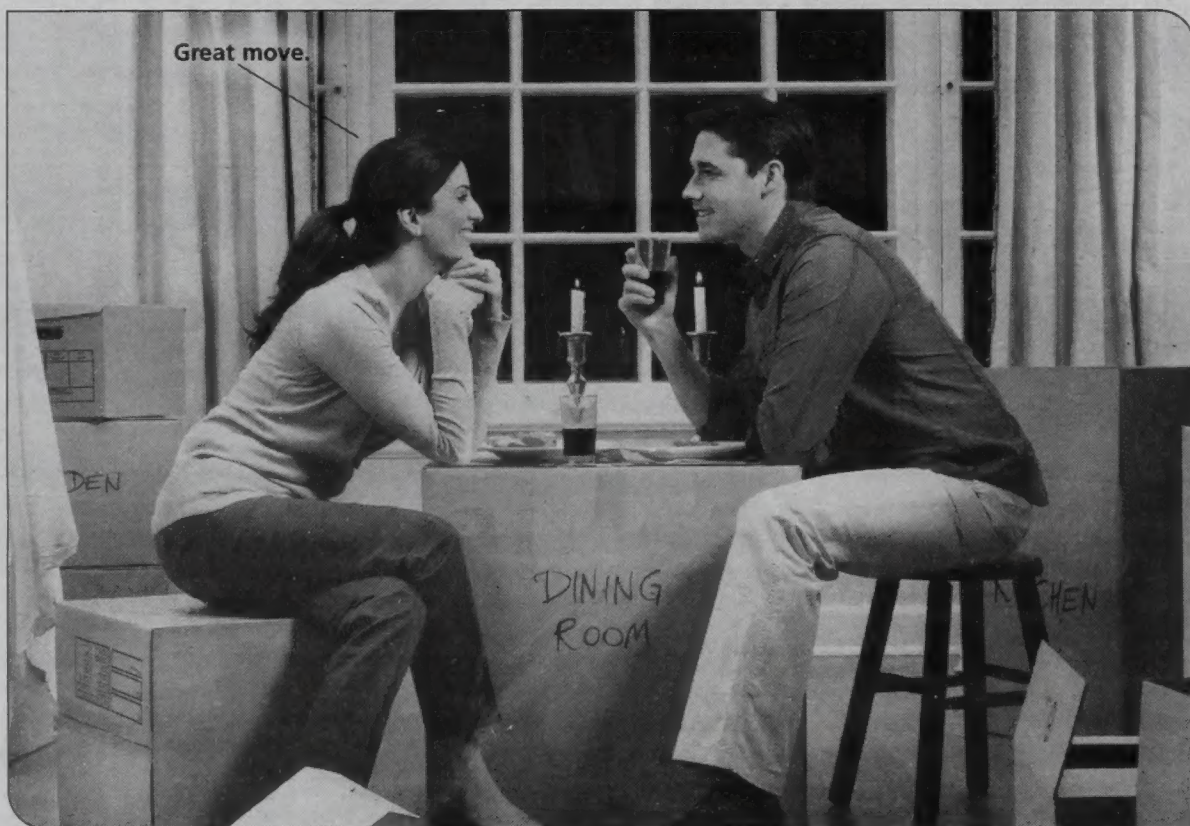
Selbie agrees. "If Chris had not been here we'd never have gotten anywhere."

Negotiations between Nichol and Hodgson began in earnest, with the architect hovering in the background. As the project's plans took shape, costs began to rise. Nichol knew that the project had to come in under \$20 million. Originally the plan had been to split the cost between the federal and provincial governments and the community but Hodgson was able to come through with extra provincial funding as the costs continued to grow.

Nichol says, "My job was to get the project to the one-yard line; Chris's job was to get it over [the goal line]."

There was a debate about whether to pay off the entire \$6 million all at once by asking the county to put a one-time levy on all property tax bills. The only person on the Foundation board who was firmly behind the idea was Ray Selbie. A fundraising campaign would not only take

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HHHS perseveres to reach its long-term goal

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a long time but it would likely rely on the same 20 per cent of the population for donations, whether it was local businesses or people who would pay to attend the fundraising events such as the gala dinners and golf tournaments. Wouldn't it be more fair to spread the financial burden over a wide area, such as the property tax base?

The idea had its merit but the others demurred. "When people have to pay for something they appreciate it more," says Nichol. He felt a fundraising campaign would garner support for and pride in the projects that went beyond how much the facilities cost.

In the end, property taxpayers were asked to foot a small portion of the bill. County council decided to pay for the interest on the loan until it was paid off. (Last year, weary of how long the campaign was lasting, county council agreed to a one-time donation of \$300,000 to end its commitment. Ironically, the donation helped to give the campaign the final boost it needed to wrap up.)

Still, \$6 million was a huge amount to raise in a county with a permanent population of 15,000 people.

It seemed all the more doable, however, when the campaign got kickstarted with a \$700,000 "donation" from the previous fundraising campaign.

As well, several local businesses committed to donating \$25,000 each over five years and service clubs pledged their support. Soon, nearly every fundraising event, from bake sales to auctions of fine art, had the HHHSF as its beneficiary. The county did indeed rally behind the project.

The campaign seemed to stall, however, after the \$4 million mark. A lot of effort had gone into raising that amount; did the community have it in it to raise \$2 million more. The buildings were up, the new residents were settled in, the emergency facilities were busy with patients. Wasn't this enough already?

Peter Oyler became chairman of the Foundation board around this time. He recognized that the board was facing donor fatigue.

By now, however, Nichol's idea of planned giving was starting to make an impact. Years earlier he had set up a program whereby people could leave bequests to the Foundation or donate shares for a tax credit. With these financial incentives in place, large donations could be

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The Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation has reached its \$6 million capital fundraising goal after nine years. HHHSF board members and hospital managers gathered to celebrate the milestone Monday. From left: Debbie Watson, Rob Eaton, Peter Oyler, Jim Mitchell, Jan McMaster, Klara Oyler, Lisa Tompkins, Sandra Bishop, Dale Walker, Courtney MacDonald, Marg Fielding, Janice Hardy, Peter Fearrey, Eleanor Harrison, Kimberley Hicks, Jeanne Anthon, Keith Sansford, Cathy Outram, Ray Selbie, Don Popple and Hugh Nichol.

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Community support and volunteers help hospital flourish

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made; sadly they often couldn't be realized until someone died but they were an important facet of the Foundation's long-range planning.

Yet it was a quiet, shy and frugal man who was to get the Foundation over the final fundraising hump. Herb Hoffman was an unassuming older gentleman who shopped at the Lily Ann and rode around Haliburton village on his secondhand bike before moving to Extendicare. When he died, he left his entire estate to the Foundation. His \$225,000 bequest made him the largest single donor to the capital campaign.

The fact that someone who appeared to have so little gave so much seemed to re-energize the campaign. Donations through the Christmas mailing were the largest in the campaign history. A few highly successful fundraisers later, and the campaign was on its final stretch.

"When I tell folks who live outside this community that we have two great hospitals and that we just raised \$6 million, with a base population of 15,000, they are amazed," Oyler says.

"We did it our way and succeeded," Selbie says, noting that the board never used consultants to figure out how to overcome the many obstacles in the Foundation's way.

"I never doubted the community's ability to rise to the challenge," says board member Jack Brezina, who was instrumental in garnering support for proper healthcare facilities in Minden. "It perhaps took a little longer than anticipated, but the debt has been retired, a testament to what a small community with a vision can accomplish. And, at the same time, the community has continued to



The Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation made its last transfer of donations totaling \$65,000 to the hospital board Monday, paying off the capital debt. From left: campaign chair Don Popple, HHHS chair Jeanne Anthon, HHHS CEO Keith Sansford, executive director Dale Walker and HHHSF chair Peter Oyler.

support other worthwhile ventures in the county. Never doubt what a community with drive and vision can accomplish, particularly your own."

Popple says, "I'm proud of everyone who participated. Anyone I asked for money I never had an outright no. One guy gave me a dollar and said it was all he could afford."

"The absolute highlight for me," says the Foundation's executive director, Dale Walker, "was that I get to work with the most dedicated and supportive volunteers, board members and committee members. They truly have so much passion for the healthcare facilities. They never say no and I have asked them to do a lot of things — ride a

horse, attend Sunday morning lake association meetings, go to galas, make presentations, open their homes to the public, attend fairs, bake sales, card parties, etc., donate, donate stuff and give money and more money. We had a lot of fun, crazy times."

Hodgson is as pleased with the facilities as he is with the way their construction drew the communities of Minden and Haliburton together. "One of the issues that was so divisive is now a unifier," says Hodgson, who retired from politics a few years ago to concentrate his energies on his young family. "It really speaks to the community spirit. I was pleased to be a part of it. It's one of the reasons you get into politics — to make things better for the area."

Presenting the ceremonial last cheque on Monday brought to the end a very long process with very beneficial results. As Nichol notes, plans for healthcare expansion got their start in 1979 with the application for 15 chronic care beds. "After 28 years, closure has finally happened," he says.

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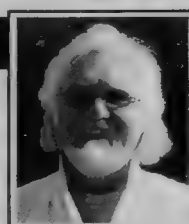
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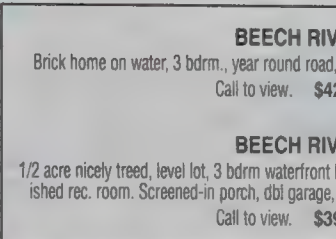


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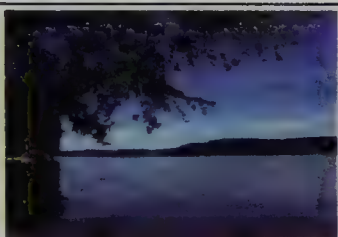
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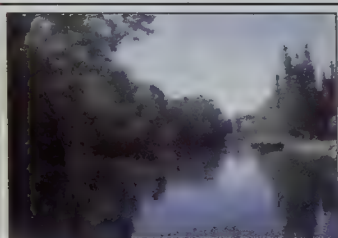
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Atom Storm finish second in province

Head coach credits teamwork and dedication for their successful finish

by JESSICA YOUNG
Times staff

Facing elimination in the all-Ontario championships, the Highland Storm Atoms gave a great performance when they faced off against the Dresden Jr. Kings in Haliburton on Saturday night.

The Storm was down two games to none and if they lost Saturday's game the best-of-five series would end without a win. Local fans came out to show their support, packing the arena and raising the rafters with their cheers. The team reveled in the attention and won the game 4-2.

This gave the Storm another chance to stay in the series that would determine the provincial champs.

However, despite their best efforts the team had a disappointing 10-0 loss the following day, making Dresden the Atom CC all-Ontario champions. But the second-place finish is something the young players should be proud of.

"Things sure didn't go as we planned but they are a great group of kids and they'll be back next year, stronger than ever," said head coach Jamie Dollo.

Wrapping up the season, it was evident that Dollo was a proud leader of his hockey team.

"It's been a heck of a year and they've learned and grown together. It sure was a fun year."

In Saturday's game Connor Dollo gave the Storm their first marker, assisted by Devon Upton and Nate Feir early in the first. Curtis Ballantyne gave the Storm a 2-0 lead with assists from Tyler Barry and Spencer Trueman.

Dresden got the puck past the Storm's goalie in the second but the Storm returned early on in the third thanks to Ballantyne with help from Chris Hall. Barry finished off the period with a goal with Ballantyne giving a hand as the Storm took the win.

Spirits were high after the home game and Dollo knew his team gave it their all.

"The kids played with their hearts today. We lost both games in Dresden but we're trying to draw out the series. We're in good shape playing at home."

Although the team was unable to score in the final game on Sunday, it was still a time for celebration for the youngsters who gave it their best. Both teams were presented with honorary medals after the game and proud parents took to the ice to snap photos.

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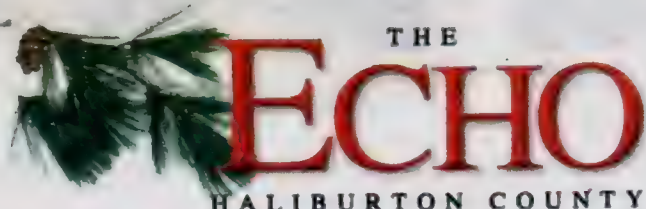
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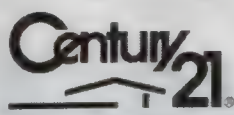
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by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

Hikers may not want to venture out onto Algonquin Highlands' trails for a few weeks this fall.

Council has decided to allow gun hunting on Sundays on all Crown lands within its boundaries.

The debate came down to whether it was more fair to allow people to hike on

Sundays or to allow hunters with camps on Crown land a few more days to hunt.

It was decided that since hunters already had such little available time the week Sunday ban should be lifted.

The motion was put forward by Councillor Don Shortreed, who disagreed with the previous council's decision not to join the move to Sunday hunting.

Most of the top half of the municipality is Crown land, home to most of the municipality's hunt camps.

Hunters in those camps, which pay taxes, "just want the same privileges as other outdoors enthusiasts enjoy."

The municipality has already given private landowners the right to allow Sunday gun hunting on their property.

Deputy-reeve Tom Gardner was the only councillor to speak against the motion. He said that when he was growing up in the area, during hunting season he was allowed to go out in the woods only on Sundays

because there was no gun hunting. (Bow hunters can hunt on Sundays and have a longer season.) He felt that people today should be given the same sense of security.

But why should preference be given to hikers, Shortreed argued.

He also said that today's hunters are more educated about the sport resulting in fewer potential accidents.

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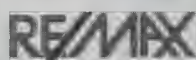
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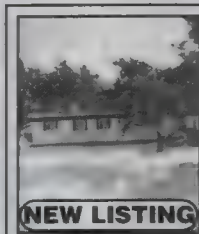
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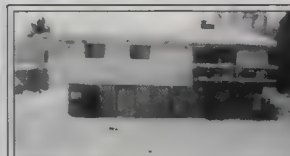
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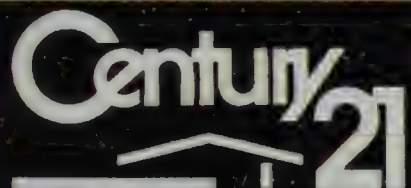
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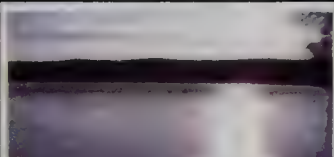
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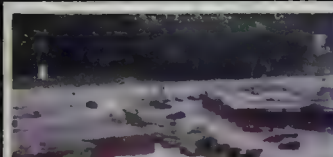
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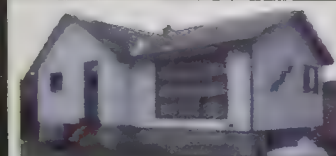
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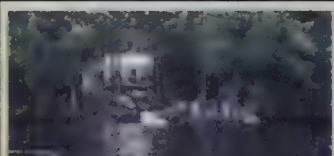
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An afternoon of Easter egg painting



Kandice Withey, 16, spent last Saturday at Club 35 creating beautiful Easter eggs. Kandice paid close attention to detail while creating her stunning floral design.

After the Times asked Withey for her age, tablemate Elaine Burbidge voluntarily gave hers. "I'm 60 years young. Age is just a number, it's about how you feel inside," she said with a smile. Below is a photo of Elaine's youthful hands carving wax for her Easter egg.

Photos by Jessica Young



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Looming large

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Marjorie Willis and Eleanor Cooper are spending their free time weaving a blanket on Minden's big loom, a 100" model owned by the Haliburton Highlands Handweavers and Spinners at the Pritchard House. Willis expects to take the blanket home within a few weeks. "I have been a designer all my life and I've never had time to weave," she said. "On a loom you can control everything once you learn how to use it." "I like to make something that's beautiful, especially when it for a gift," Cooper added. "But I'm not a perfectionist so there are bound to be mistakes in this." (That's Cooper's hand at left.)

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Buckle up for safety

Public Health Nurse Karen Pettinella and health promoter Angela Andrews show Joleen Thomas of Carnarvon how to strap her eight-month old daughter Olivia Humphries into her car seat. The Health Unit held the car seat safety clinic at the OPP office in Minden Wednesday morning.

Managing the risks of osteoporosis

Heather Eatson of Osteoporosis Canada will be in Haliburton on April 17, at 1 o'clock, speaking about osteoporosis and bone health. Find out more about osteoporosis. Are you at risk?

What role does nutrition, vitamins and physical activity play in osteoporosis? Please call Roxanne or Ida at Community

Care, for the location of this one-hour seminar or if you would like more information at 705-457-2941.

This seminar is brought to you courtesy of Community Care Haliburton County and Dwaine and Lori Lloyd of the Haliburton Community Funeral Home. Community Care has been providing services to seniors and adults with disabilities and illnesses for over 26 years.

The spring Tai Chi, Chi Kung and meditation session at the Dorset Recreation Centre starts on Tuesday, March 27. The session is 12 weeks and runs Tuesdays from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Beginners are welcome and registration is required. Please call the Rec Centre for more information at 766-9968.

Yoga classes for all levels take place at the Centre on Mondays from 7 to 8:30 p.m. For more information, contact the Recreation Centre at 766-9968.

Don't miss the Tupperware Party being hosted by Knox United Church U.C.W. on Thursday, March 29, 7 p.m. at the church. Come and see what is new in Tupperware! Sample some Tasty

Tupperware Recipes and bring your cracked, broken or chipped Tupperware for replacement. Because

DORSET NEWS

Melissa Alfano
705-766-0076

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this is a fundraiser, the church can only accept cash and cheques for this event.

The Dorset Book Club will meet on April 4 at 1 p.m. - read a mystery of your choice. All are welcome. For more details contact Ruth at 766-9969 during library hours (Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6 to 8:30 p.m., Wednesdays from 2 to 4:30 p.m. or Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.).

Birthday wishes for the week of March 25 to 31 go out to Jacob Armstrong-Darke, Kyla Woods, Matthew Hughes, Zach Lock, Rick Nash (Happy 60th Rick!), Ray Blake, Debbie Guidi and Happy Anniversary to Trudy and Dalton Frecker. Celebrate and have fun on your special day!

To submit an item of interest or a birthday wish, please email me at melalfano@hotmail.com or give me a call at 705-766-0076.



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Players born 1999-1998 at 1:30pm. sharp.
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The DEMO will last an hour and will encompass agility, skating, passing, shooting, checking, and conditioning drills. Full equipment must be worn on the ice and insurance waivers must be signed at time of check in order for players to participate. Remember space is limited so register now. For more information or to register please call:

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Haliburton Highlands Health Services Board is seeking NEW DIRECTORS

Haliburton Highlands Health Services has a broad mandate to oversee and develop an integrated health service. We would like to have a diverse representation of Haliburton County's demographics on the Board.

Volunteers interested in the health services of our area should forward a letter, with resume / C.V., by April 15, 2007

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Stanhope says goodbye to Shirley Alderton



STANHOPE LIFE

Gina Atkinson
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Life is about birth and about death. Even though we don't celebrate death, we can celebrate the life that we were lucky to share. So this week I would like to say that Carnarvon has lost a very lovely person when Shirley Alderton passed away on February 27. Her husband Harvey "Bud" has been in to see me and we have talked about the impact that this lady had on many of our lives. Especially his. He has many a wonderful memory to cherish.

Whether she was playing shuffleboard in Stanhope or being the director of the seniors' group at the Stanhope Community Centre, her disposition was such that a visit with her was a real pleasure. Life goes on and even though she is no longer with us, her memory will stay with us forever. My thoughts are with Bud at this time. When a husband or wife loses their mate after so many years it must be tough to live without them. The change in everyday routine is tremendous. My mother went through this many years ago. It is very true when they say that there are stages one has to go through. We saw them all.

Bud is very fortunate in that he has many friends and neighbors to help him.

There are brighter days ahead and a new season to enjoy. Although winter drives me crazy, it's nice to live in a changeable climate. Soon we will see our cottagers back and they will ask me "How was your winter?" I will grit my teeth and say "Great". Of course, this is half-hearted. By the end of February I'm done. Right now I'm eager to get going. Back to the seven-day grind. Back to seeing our summer time friends. The activity. I totally love it!



Casey Lessard/TIMES

A concentrated approach

Archie Stouffer students, including Grade 1 student Samantha Grisdale, competed in the annual Trillium Lakelands District School Board chess championship. Stuart Baker Elementary School and J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School hosted the tournament at the Dysart Community Centre and Haliburton Legion. In total, 265 players from about a dozen schools converged in Haliburton Friday.

Our dog Bel is happy it's Spring too. We're having a tough time keeping her inside. That Boxer coat of hers didn't keep her too warm during the winter and she is making up for it now. Being the official mascot of the garden centre she is in training to meet and greet. Just like at Walmart.

Now these mild temperatures could be just a big tease. Memories come back of a Spring day when I swept the whole parking lot wearing shorts and a T-shirt just to have another dumping of snow shortly after. But let's hope the snow won't come back. Even so, we won't put those bad weather things away just yet.

Birthday time!! Ben Thomas celebrated his birthday March 25th. Ben was one of the first people we met when we moved here. He is a good friend and neighbour. All the best for this and every birthday to come!

Remember to send any bits and pieces to my attention.

Food for thought

If you think fast food is only available at restaurants, there are ways to make a healthy version of it at home.

Local residents can find how by attending the following event being organized as part of Nutrition Month in March: Cooking and Tasting Demonstration For Busy Families on Wednesday, March 28 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Delta Pinestone Resort - Minden Room.

Join executive chef Gord Skinner and registered dietitians Rosie Kadwell, Beth MacEachern and Sheena McLeod to learn tips on menu planning and preparing quick and healthy meals. Find out about the new food guide and sample delicious recipes too.

Cost is \$15 per person. Space is limited, so register today by calling the Health Unit at 457-1391, ext. 245.



NOTICE

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In spite of every effort this latest problem could not be fixed. The malignancy continued to spread and it was time to end the hurting. As we now come full circle thank you again to Minden Animal Hospital, Dr. Carol Sanio, Tammy, Lynn and Melissa for their kindness and concern.

One welcome sign of spring was the three robins who appeared in our dooryard over the past weekend. The Friends of the Kinmount library are sponsoring a special program "The World of Birds" on Wednesday, April 11 in the lower level of the library starting at 7 p.m.. Vic Orr, member and past president of the Kawartha Field Naturalists, will be the guest speaker. There is no admission charge and everyone is most welcome. For more information please call the library at 488-3199.

Just a reminder that the next meeting of the Haliburton Highlands Genealogy Group will be held on Wednesday, April 11 in the Common Room of the Minden Hills Cultural Centre with doors open at 6 p.m. (enter by rear door). Speaker Mike Dunk will be discussing "digital photography and genealogy." Whatever your level of experience with digital this presentation will have something of interest. There is no charge and everyone is welcome.

Thinking about your pet's well-being? Here is advance notice of the annual rabies clinic coming up on Saturday, April 21 from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the firehall on Galway Road. The cost is still only \$15 per pet.

From the John McGrath Legion Branch 441 Kinmount here are the results from the "Big Bucks Bid Euchre" for March 21.

Ken Young was first, Dana Briscoe second and Glenda Swanton third with Carl Giesel and Leona Lane holding the hidden score. This event is held the third Wednesday of each month starting at 11 a.m..

Now for the scoring news with your usual reminder to keep busy and well. They go together.

March 20 Stanhope Firehall Seniors Mixed Shuffleboard: Scores were lower than usual this week with Doug Burch and Colleen Davison in top spot at 201 then Sandy Poulton teamed with John Platt a close second at 200. Our reporter Pearl Cowen and Jim Meadows were third at 189 while Linda Burch paired up with Alf Briscoe for the afternoon's low of 81.

March 20 euchre at Gelert: Lone hand honours went to Don Hicks with our reporter Harold Harvie recording the men's high and Gerald Hicks the low. For the ladies Rita Crofts was high and Gala Stamp low with Theresa Deak taking the draw.

March 20 bid euchre at Minden Legion: Topping the scoring was Pauline Franzen at 375 with Gala Stamp 340 second and our reporter Jean Scadden 313 third. Double moonshots went to both Phyllis Windsor and Isobel Cherwenka while Margaret Bull, Marcy Morgan, Gill Scott and Maria Tschida held hidden scores.

March 20 contract bridge at Stanhope: Leading the high scoring quartet was Bruce Armstrong at 6070 followed by Muriel McIntosh 5070, June Branning 5040 and Gloria Moore 4200. Ev Morgan won the lucky draw and Bruce Armstrong took home "T.L.A.O.T.L. Award" as a reminder to stay away from "The Long Arm Of The Law" en route.

March 21 bid euchre at Stanhope: Moonshots landed on Bill Matthews, Bev Johnson, Helen Windsor, Muriel Harrington and Don Curry. At 284 Bev Johnson was first for the whites then Garth Windsor 274 and Bill Matthews 271. Pink power was with Linda Lambert at 282

while Muriel Harrington took second spot at 277 and Gala Stamp 270 was third.

March 21 duplicate bridge at Parklane, Haliburton: In first were Jan and Dave Heaven at 59 per cent with Bruce Armstrong and our reporter Ross Fletcher coming second at 58 per cent.

March 22 euchre at the Minden Legion: Lone hand holders were Gala Stamp and Tom Grix with Helen Skelding and Don Burch recording the high scores. The afternoon's lows were tallied up by Jean Hewitt and Bob Cleverly with Jesse Barlow, Leroy Mowat, Bob Pollard, Lois Adamson and our reporter May Bradbury taking home the other prizes.

March 23 duplicate bridge at Echo Hills, Haliburton: Playing the Howell system Diana Spicer and Muriel McIntosh led at 59 per cent with Elva Robinson and Joan Galley next at 57 per cent.

March 23 bid euchre at Club 35: Norm Mark took the night's single moonshot with the hidden score held by Tom Macartney. First for the pinks at 291 was Verna McDonald followed by Jane Swick 277 and Marj Coffey 270 with Dick Coffey high for the white cards at 278, George Bye second at 271 and Bev Swick 256 third.

March 23 euchre at Staanworth Court, Minden: June Branning reports that Elaine Yeo won for high hands, Doreen Francis for lone hands, Pat Bailey for low hands and Albert Foster for the special draw prize.

March 24 bid euchre at Staanworth Terrace, Minden: Single moonshots were claimed by Barb Robitaille and Helen Henderson with Gala Stamp and Pat Scadden each taking two. First for the

pinks was Pat Roussel 277 then Barb Robitaille 257 and Bev Johnson 229 while for the white cards Pat Scadden led at 253, Gala Stamp came second at 249 and June Branning was third at 238. The draw winners were Vi Howell, Helen Henderson and Jean Scadden.

March 26 Kinmount Seniors bid euchre at Kinmount Legion: It was the Franzen family in the spotlight with Frank taking the high score honours and our reporter Pauline in second place. Third spot went to Verna McDonald and Eileen Shepstone won the draw. Moonshots landed on Emily Harvie, Dana Briscoe, Sam Gaudet and Jim Corbett.

March 26 euchre at St. Paul's Friendship Club, Minden: Tim Sharpe reports that the lone hand holders were Gala Stamp and Jesse Barlow. High scores were a family affair going to Lois and Syd Adamson with Barb Braithwaite recording the afternoon's low. Pearl Cowen and Mabel Deacon headed home with the special prizes.

March 26 euchre at Staanworth Terrace, Minden: Once again there was a good turnout with Olive Daniels taking the high score, Gala Stamp holding the most lone hands and Pat Bailey double lucky winning for both low hands and the special prize.

March 26 cribbage at Minden Legion: The top trio members were Jean Scadden first, Allisha second and Ann Cundall third with Syd Adamson, Don Burch, Don Hicks and our reporter Elva Paisley winning the other prizes.

March 26 euchre at Club 35: In the lone hands column it was Mae Heikamp while Helen Windsor won the bologna. High scores were recorded by Verna Sawyer and Mike Heikamp with Clara Miscio and Ray Sisson claiming the evening's lows. Special prizes were awarded to Linda Voycey, Carol Hill, Clara Miscio and Garth Windsor. Garth adds a note of appreciation on behalf of everyone to Clara Miscio for her wonderful lunch.



AROUND THE TOWN

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SCHEDULE B 1ST MANADATORY PUBLIC CONTACT - PHASE 2

COUNTY OF HALIBURTON



Class Environmental Assessment
Contract C7-02-07

County Road 7 (Kennisis Lake Road)
Rehabilitation from Ella Ct. northerly 5.64km to Pivot Lake

PUBLIC COMMENT INVITED

As required under the Provincial Environmental Assessment Act, the County of Haliburton hereby notifies all interested individuals and agencies that subject to the comments received as a result of this NOTICE and the receipt of the required approvals, the Roads Department intends to proceed with the planning, design, and subsequent construction of the above-noted project.

This project is being planned under Schedule B of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment. The purpose of this undertaking will be rehabilitate the above-noted section of road, including the pulverization of the existing asphalt surface, application of 100mm lift Granular 'A', 50mm HL4 asphalt, installation of drainage culverts, and upgrading of structure approaches for Griffin's Bridge.

These improvements will address the deficiencies that have been identified and outlined in the County's Road Needs Study, 2004 Update.

For further information on this project, or to inspect a copy of the Class Environmental Assessment, please contact:

COUNTY OF HALIBURTON ROADS DEPARTMENT
11 Newcastle St.
P.O. Box 880
Minden, ON
KOM 2K0
(705) 286-1762 or Fax 286-4881
8:30am - 4:30pm (Mon - Fri)

Public input and comment are invited, for incorporation into the planning and design of this project, and will be received until April 6, 2007. The County of Haliburton intends to proceed with the construction of this project by June, 2007, and complete the work by the end of July, 2007.

This NOTICE issued March 21, 2007

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SCHEDULE B 1ST MANADATORY PUBLIC CONTACT - PHASE 2

COUNTY OF HALIBURTON



Class Environmental Assessment
Contract C7-01-07

Part A - County Road 6 (Eagle Lake Road)
Rehabilitation within the Hamlet of Eagle Lake

Part B - County Road 7 (Kennisis Lake Road)
Reconstruction within the Hamlet of West Guilford

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This project is being planned under Schedule B of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment. The purpose of this undertaking will be:

Part A: the rehabilitation of County Road 6 from a point 330m west of the Eagle Lake Road Bridge easterly 1.10km to Stills Road. This will include pulverizing of the existing road surface, application of 100mm Granular 'A' to the road base, application of a 50mm HL4 asphalt, replacement of drainage culverts, and upgrading of structure approaches for the Eagle Lake Road Bridge.

Part B: the reconstruction of County Road 7 from County Road 6 northerly 200m to St. Andrews Ct. This will include the excavation and reinstatement of the road base, application of 100mm HL4 asphalt, provision for a paved boulevard, concrete curb & gutter and a new storm sewer system.

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- **Now until April 26:** Highlands Parent-Child Mother Goose – from 10-11 a.m. for parents with children 0 to 2.5 yrs. A 10 week program to learn rhymes, songs & stories in a relaxed environment at the OEYC Haliburton. In partnership with Point in Time Centre for Children, Youth & Parents. Call 286-4625 to register.
- **Now until May 18:** Swim and Gym – Ontario Early Years at the Wigamog Inn, Friday's started Mar. 23rd to May 18, from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Splash, Splash, and Play! Families that play together stay fit together. 8 weekly sessions are for families with infants to preschoolers to have an hour each of swimming & play at the Wigamog Inn. Please contact 286-4625 for more information or to register. Space is limited.
- **Mar. 28:** VON Foot Care Clinic starting at 9 a.m. Located at Staunworth Court Lounge, Minden. Subsequent clinics the fourth Thurs. of the month. To book an appointment call 1-800-743-6255. Everyone Welcome.
- **Mar. 28:** Shoreline Naturalization Workshop – Kawartha Conservation invites everyone who lives on a waterfront property or is interested in shoreline gardening to attend this free informative event. The workshop will be held Wed., from 7-9 p.m. at the Galway-Cavendish & Harvey municipal building on Cty. Rd. #36, just a few minutes outside of Bobcaygeon. Admission is free. But you are asked to register by calling Catherine at (705) 328-2271 ext. 211 or www.kawarthaconservation.com
- **Mar. 30:** Spring Fling Roast Beef Dinner at Haliburton United Church on Friday. Two sittings: 5:00 & 6:30 p.m. Tickets avail. from Ethel Curry Gallery, Haliburton United Church office. Proceeds to Haliburton United Church.
- **Mar. 31:** Tired of being locked down from the winter. Looking for excitement there's Something in it for the whole family. for Dad baked goods, for Mom and entire assortment of Craft and light refreshments for the kids. Saturday, March 31, 2007 Gooderham United Church located on 503 near 507. For any reason you miss the sale. On Saturday April 7, 2007 Wilberforce United Church repeat the action. If you are anything like me you be at both the Bake sales.
- **Mar. 31:** Maplefest "All you can eat" Pancake/sausage Brunch & Bake Sale. Lochlin United Church, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Lochlin Rd., off Gelert Rd. (Cty. Rd. #1), Lochlin. The best deal in town! Real Haliburton Maple syrup (of course)! For info call Lois at 286-1765.
- **Mar. 31:** Circle Dance – All welcome to our Spring Celebration on Sat. from 2-4 p.m. at Halimar Lodge, Kashagawigamog Lake Road. No experience or partner needed. Each dance from various cultures, meditative or playful, will be taught before dancing. For more info. & cost of donation at the door, call Sharon 286-1940 or Lynn 286-4700.

- **Every day a new picture** of Haliburton County, and sometimes beyond. Just visit www.jackbush.my-expressions.com. every day. A great reminder of why we all love living right here.
- **Adult Badminton:** Mondays 8 - 10 p.m. **Now until May 28/07** at Archie Stouffer Elementary School, Minden. Join us for fun, fellowship & fitness. Call 286-1765 for further info.
- **Mondays – TOPS.** Take off pounds sensibly. Join us Mondays at Community Care. First meeting free. Weigh-in at 9:30-10:00 a.m. followed by short meeting. Call Don or Mary at 447-2420.
- **Wednesdays – Tea at 3:** Rails End Gallery & Arts Centre. Every Wednesday, for adults who like to talk about Art & drink tea. 3 o'clock. Free. Call 457-2330.
- **Thursdays:** Knit Wits, 4-5 p.m. at the Rails End Gallery. Free. After school knitting circle for ages 11+.
- **For women** experiencing any type of abuse, call the YWCA Crisis Line, 286-6442 or (800) 461-7656.
- **Recreational Squash:** Thursday evenings Jan. 11 to Mar. 22 beside Haliburton Arena from 7-9 p.m. (Students half price) Beginners welcome anytime! Raquets available – free lessons. Call 457-2862 for cost or info.
- **The Haliburton Highlands Quilt Guild** meets every second Wed. of each month at Camp Adelaide, which is on #118, between Haliburton & Tory Hill. The building is open from 10 a.m. for those who want to do some quilting, etc., & the general meeting starts at 1 p.m. with refreshments at mid-meeting. Guests & new members are welcome. Call Anita Dobell at 457-3723.
- **Ontario Breast Screening Program** – for women 50 years & over, screening by appointment only on Thursdays & Fridays at Ross Memorial Hospital. No doctor referral necessary. Call (705) 328-6175.
- **Coming in June:** Relay For Life – is an overnight, non-competitive relay that involves teams whose members take turns running, walking or strolling around a track. Proceeds go to cancer research & community services for people living with cancer. This national event is coming to Haliburton County for the first time, Sat., June 15, 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. To join or start a team, take part in the Survivors Victory Lap, pledge a local participant, or to purchase a luminary in memory of a loved one, please visit www.cancer.ca/relay or call Wendy Iles at 457-3517.
- **Community Care has two trips now finalized.** They are going to **Phantom of the Opera** on **May 9** and to **Dirty Dancing** on **Nov. 1**. Price includes transportation by highway coach, a delicious dinner, theatre tickets & all taxes & gratuities. Call Roxanne at 457-2941 for more information or to reserve your seat.

Events listings are provided **FREE** for non-profit groups on a space-available basis. While we endeavor to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Times at 286-4768, emailed to editor@mindentimes.on.ca, or brought in to the office. **NOTE:** This calendar is **NOT A COMPREHENSIVE LISTING OF ALL EVENTS** taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in The Times for more information on events and in the Highlands.

Take flight this summer

Haliburton-Stanhope (CND4) Airport has planned five different events this year. As always, all local residents and cottagers are welcome to join the airport's flying enthusiasts.

Tuesday, April 10: The annual safety seminar will feature David Arama of WSC Wilderness Survival School. He will discuss short-term survival tactics when you get stranded in the bush. This session will take place at the Stanhope Firefighters' Hall on North Shore Road (just west of Hwy 35, three kilometres north of Carnarvon). Cost is only \$5. Start time is 7 p.m..

The May 5-6 weekend is

the annual pancake fly-in. Come out for a yummy breakfast or brunch and talk with pilots from across Ontario.

On the weekend of June 2 and 3, Young Eagles can take flight – for free. More than 1.2 million kids have participated worldwide, including 2,000 local students who have had an instructional airplane tour and free local flight over our towns and schools. As always, the food stand is open for envious parents.

The August 11-12 weekend features the home-built and ultra-light airplane fly-in. Meet the builders and learn some secrets about

building your own plane. As usual, Angela and Marlene will keep the coffee hot to complement the tasty brunch.

September 29 and 30 is the fall colour fly-in and artist Studio Tour. As usual, local pilots love to eat but they will take visiting pilots and local residents on a three-hour bus tour of selected studios. Cost is \$5 for the bus tour.

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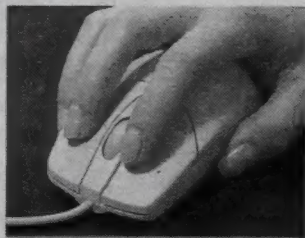


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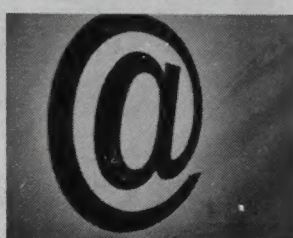
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EDUCATION

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General Employment A800

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June 26 - Aug 28, daytime split-shift, heavy loading and unloading required. Van provided. Age 18+ Class G drivers licence. \$12/hour incl. bonus. Call 705-728-8820 or visit iwantasummerjob.ca

HELP WANTED- Watson General Contracting

is looking for employees for specific landfill locations within the Townships of Minden Hills and Algonquin Highlands. Please send your resume to 1035 Stanhope Airport Rd., RR#1, Haliburton, ON K0M 1S0. If you require any further information please call 705-754-9708

General Employment A800

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on Halls lake requires a maintenance person 24 hours per week on a year round basis. Individual must be skilled in carpentry to do repairs, and minor renovations. Ability to do basic plumbing and electrical repairs would be an asset. Please Call 489-2020 to arrange an interview.

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PROPERTY MANAGER
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General Employment A800

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COMMUNITY SERVICES

Coming Events A940

MINDEN HEALTH CARE AUXILIARY

reminds members of the next meeting, Thursday April 5th at 1:30. Fireside Lounge, Highland Crest

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BRENT- The family of the late Paul Brent would like to thank everyone who helped during a very difficult time on March 10. The EMS, Fire and OPP officers, especially Rob Adams and Stuart Humphries showed great care and concern. Our heartfelt gratitude to the nurses and doctors at our Minden Hospital, and special thanks to Sandra and Clare from Victim Services. Thank you also to Monk Funeral Home. I will be forever grateful to Darleen and Don Walker for the support they provided to help me get through that day. Minden truly is a caring community.

- Sandra and the rest of the Brent family.

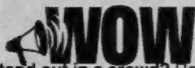
Deaths

GLEN, Muriel - (Formerly of Winona, Ontario) Peacefully at their residence on Monday evening, March 19, 2007 in her 78th year. Beloved wife of John (Jack) Glenn. Loving mother of Gregory (Karyn) of Stouffville, and Cindy (Rick Campanella) of Hamilton. Fondly remembered by her grandchildren Michael, Jeremy, Alicia, Kevin & Karen. Dear sister of Edna Whitehead of Hamilton. Predeceased by her brothers George and Reg.

Visitation & Memorial Services

Friends may call at ZION UNITED CHURCH Carnarvon, Ontario on Thursday morning, March 22, 2007 for a Memorial Service at 11 o'clock. Then to FAITH GOSPEL CHURCH 518 Cochrane Road, Hamilton, Ontario on Friday morning, March 23, 2007 for a Memorial Service at 11 o'clock. Interment later Twelve Mile Cemetery, Carnarvon. As expressions of sympathy donations to SIRCH Community Hospice P.O. Box 687, Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0 would be appreciated by the family. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705)457-9209.

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Deaths

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Friends are invited to join the family at the Stanhope Community Centre on Friday evening, March 30, 2007 for a time to gather, reflect, dance and Celebrate the Life of Richard starting at 7:00 pm Refreshments will be available. Cremation has taken place.

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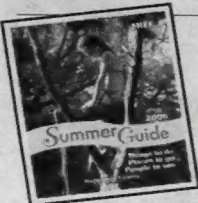
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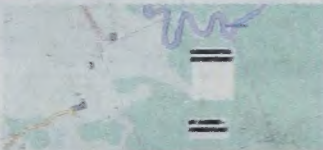
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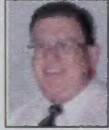
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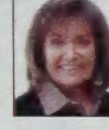
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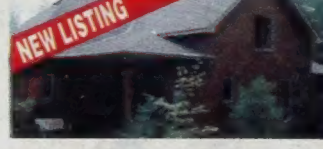
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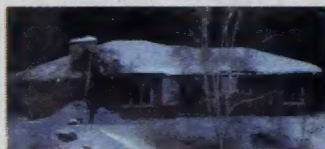
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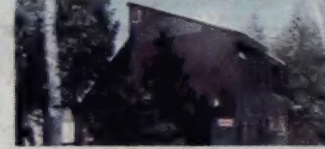
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Gull Lake: Beautiful setting on picturesque Gull Lake. Stunning western exp. immaculate 3 bdrm. cottage. floor to ceiling FP. Wrap-around deck, perfect for BBQs. Large 2 car garage for storage. Only minutes from Minden and year round access. Safe sand beach and lots more! Only 2 hours from Toronto.
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\$339,000
Gull River: Enjoy waterfront living at this 3 bdrm/2 bath home. Boat to town or to Gull Lake. Full finished bsmt. w/rec room & office/den, master ensuite w/ceramic floors, pine kitchen, w/o's galore, a beautifully landscaped lot, and a dbl. detached garage.
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